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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant has amended the specification to include the priority data. An ADS also accompanies this application. Applicant has amended the specification to include ATCC accession numbers.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

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